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OCT 04 2003**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 17, 22 and 29 without prejudice or disclaimer, and amend the claims as follows:

1-13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently Amended) A woven/non-woven fabric, comprising:

~~a plurality of waste threads~~ fibers consisting of pure cotton of a natural fiber forming a web of a predetermined weight,

wherein a consistency and a rigidity of the web are provided by a purified water spray at high pressure and subsequent removal of moisture using high temperature,

wherein said ~~plurality of waste threads~~ comprises fibers have having a substantially uniform length, and

wherein said fibers are bound in a horizontal direction co-planar with a plane of the web and in a transversal direction perpendicular to the plane of the web.

15. (Currently Amended) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said fibers comprise a length in a range of between about 8 mm to about 18 mm, and

wherein a weight of said web of fibers ~~waste threads~~ is not less than about 35 grams per square meter.

16. (Currently amended) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said fibers ~~plurality of waste threads~~ comprise a by-product of a spinning process.

17-20. (Canceled)

21. (Previously Presented) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said fibers comprise a length in a range of between about 8 mm to about 18 mm.

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22. (Canceled)

23. (Previously Presented) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said fibers comprise not greater than 4.5 micrograms per inch of fiber length.

24. (Previously Presented) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein the fabric comprises a high absorption capacity.

25. (Previously Presented) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 24, wherein said absorption capacity is in a range of about 15 times to about 16 times a weight of the fabric.

26. (Canceled)

27. (Currently Amended) A woven/non-woven fabric, comprising:

~~a plurality of threads fibers consisting of pure cotton of a fiber forming a web,~~
~~wherein said plurality of waste threads comprises fibers have having a~~
~~substantially uniform length, and~~

~~wherein said fibers are bound in a horizontal direction co-planar with a plane of the web and in a transversal direction perpendicular to the plane of the web.~~

28. (Previously Presented) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said web comprises a thickness in a range from 1 mm to 10 mm.

29. (Canceled)